

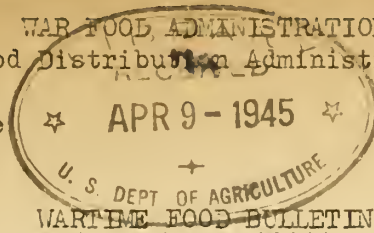
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During the past 2 weeks supplies of vegetables have been on the decrease on the local Fruit and Vegetable markets while fresh fruit supplies have increased somewhat. This is especially true with home grown vegetables. Dealers are securing most of their supplies of vegetables from Colorado although some are coming from California, New Mexico, Missouri, Arkansas, East Texas and from 1 or 2 other districts.

Irish Potatoes, although higher priced than in the past few years, are reasonable and supplies plentiful. Indications are we will have a nice supply of spuds for a good many months. Dry onions are very scarce at this time and apparently supplies will remain very light for several weeks. New crop sweet-potatoes are now coming in fair sized amounts and the quality is good. Prices high but about in line with those of a few months ago when the old crop finally played out.

Prices of fresh garden vegetables such as radishes, beets, turnips, carrots, green onions, green beans, peppers and other like commodities are about unchanged and are reasonable priced for the times. Quality good and supplies moderate.

Now crop pears from California, apples, grapes, plums, fresh prunes, cherries and citrus fruits are available. Peaches are scarce and high priced, very high priced. The best way to describe the price of peaches might be the story now making the rounds to the effect that when you see a man eating a fresh peach now-a-days you need not look up his credit rating.

Best buys for the week are home grown tomatoes, head lettuce, green beans and peppers. There is no oversupply of tomatoes but we do have enough to go around and the quality is fine.

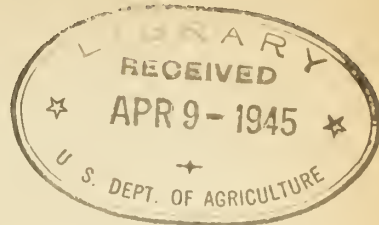
Even though prices are higher than most of us like to pay, we are very fortunate to have such a large variety of fresh fruit and vegetables to choose from and to be able to pay for them. There just isn't another country in the world today where this is true.

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Elberta Peaches arrived from Illinois this week. The quality was satisfactory but the price high. Colorado is now shipping and has the largest potential crop of any of the commercial peach producing districts, but one district cannot supply the entire nation with enough peaches to cause any sharp price decline.

There are still fair supplies of home grown tomatoes on the local fruit and vegetable markets as well as some from California, Washington, Kansas, Colorado and a few other districts. Prices about unchanged and quality fairly good.

A carload of new crop Minnesota rutabagas arrived, good quality and priced very reasonable. Oregon celery made its first appearance. Good supplies of grapes, fresh prunes and plums and other deciduous fruits.

In general the situation of both fruits and vegetables is about like that of last week with most of them showing good quality, reasonable to high priced and supplies moderate.

Best buys for the week are tomatoes, potatoes, cabbage and rutabagas.

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This week finds Apples in much larger quantities on the local Fruit and Vegetable market. A good many Jonathans and Red Delicious from New Mexico, Gravensteins from California, William Reds from Maryland and Red Delicious from Washington. Pears from California and New Mexico also are offered. Other fruits are well represented, quality fine but prices high.

Nearly all vegetables are fairly plentiful and prices are unchanged on most of them. Most of the fresh vegetables are coming from Colorado right now although some home grown are still offered and of course a few from other states.

Sweetpotatoes are coming in a little larger quantities. Plenty of Irish potatoes, tomatoes, cabbage and most of the root vegetables. Also plenty of the leafy vegetables. Dry onions are really scarce and dealers are having a hard time finding any at all to supply their needs.

Best buys are tomatoes, potatoes, peppers and eggplant. Cabbage is a good buy and is nearly all coming from Colorado, firm heads and excellent quality. In fact if you are looking for fresh fruits and vegetables you can find them in the local market and in your favorite grocery store.

Texas is a very important Peanut producing state and peanuts have at last come into their own. Not only are they used as plain old peanuts for eating, both salted or out of the shell, or in candy, but in peanut butter and many other by-products. Peanut oil is very important at this time with so many other oils on the scarce list. Peanut meal for livestock is in good demand. In fact the importance of peanuts cannot be stressed too much.

Incidentally the popularity of peanuts started in a strange way. The story goes that several years ago a peanut vendor tried to sell them at a circus. The owner told him to leave because no one wanted to eat peanuts at a circus. But the vendor was determined and soon was selling peanuts to all circus crowds. And now, no circus is complete without peanuts. When you attend a baseball game and see a man comfortably seat himself, remove his hat, get out his score card, then start opening a bag of peanuts, you know he is a true baseball fan.

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